HB 2045 - H AMD 467 By Representative Taylor

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1 On page 1, at the beginning of line 6, insert "(1)" 2. 3 On page 1, after line 17, insert the following: 4 "(2)(a) A county legislative authority may elect to either reduce 5 payments or excuse from payments under this section all department-6 owned game lands, as defined in RCW 77.12.203, on which the department 7 has authorized an activity deemed by the county legislative authority 8 as beneficial for the economic development of the county. 9 (b) The county legislative authority is the sole arbiter as to 10 what activities qualify as suitable economic activity under this 11 subsection. Examples of activities which a county may consider include 12 mineral extraction, oil and gas exploration, private grazing leases, 13 and timber harvest. (c) A county electing to reduce or excuse payments under this 14 15 subsection for game lands with economic activity may still collect 16 full payments for all other department-owned game lands located in the 17 county." 18 On page 2, beginning on line 7, after "to" strike all material 19 20 through "2015," on line 11 and insert "that amount paid on similar 21 parcels of open space land taxable under chapter 84.34 RCW or the 22 greater of seventy cents per acre per year or the amount paid in 1984" 23 24 On page 2, beginning on line 23, after "(3)" strike all material 25 through "(4)" on line 25 and insert "((This section shall not apply to 26 lands transferred after April 23, 1990, to the department from other

27 state agencies.

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Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any internal references accordingly

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On page 3, after line 17, insert the following:

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"NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The legislature finds that prior to the 9 effective date of this section, the department of fish and wildlife 10 was not required to make payments under RCW 77.12.203 for lands 11 transferred to the department from other state agencies after April 12 23, 1990. It is the intent of section 2 of this act to repeal this 13 provision and require payments under RCW 77.12.203 for this grouping 14 of lands prospectively only. Nothing in this act may be interpreted 15 to require the department of fish and wildlife to make retroactive 16 back payments under RCW 77.12.203 for the period of time between April 17 23, 1990, and the effective date of this section."

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EFFECT: Reinserts current statutory formulas for determining payment in lieu of property taxes (PILT) for Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) game lands within counties.

Removes a provision prohibiting a county to collect PILT for land managed by WDFW that came into agency ownership after 1990 by way of a transfer from a different state agency.

Allows a county to excuse WDFW from making PILT for any lands subject to activity deemed by the county to be beneficial to the economic development of the county.

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